



**Minutes**  
**Meeting of the San Marcos Association**  
**January 15, 2016**

1. The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Kurtz at 5:31 p.m. Janet McVickar, Maggie Macaulay, Dennis Kurtz, Laird Graeser, Doug Speer, Theresa (Tere) Mendoza, Courtney Price, and Marianna Hatten were in attendance. Elizabeth West and Gail Buono were excused. Maggie had to leave the meeting at 5:40 p.m.
2. Doug made a motion to approve the agenda. Janet seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with no discussion.
3. Janet made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2025, meeting. Courtney seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with no discussion.
4. Tere made a motion to accept the minutes of the Action without a Meeting regarding SMA sponsorship of KMRD through 2026. Janet seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with no discussion.
5. Dennis provided the Treasurer's Report. The current balance is \$5,096.14.
6. Board Member Reports – Dennis reported that he had attended a Neighborhood Meeting about the proposed Tierra Pintada development (just north of Valle Vista) and had raised concerns about the fact that there were no plans to build any sort of road allowing residents of Valle Vista to pass through Tierra Pintada in the event of any sort of emergency. That led to a longer discussion about the perception that developments in other parts of the County have a similar situation as developers cannot just "tie" into private roads, and the County does not often take over private roads. Everyone had stories and opinions to share. It was decided that advocating for greater cooperation between the County and developers in the name of public safety was something SMA could become involved with.
7. Standing Marketing Committee – No discussion.
8. Planning for 2026 Annual Meeting – It was decided that the Annual Meeting would take place on February 19, 2026. A start time was not established. Possible speakers/guests include Commissioners Hughes and Bustamante; someone who can speak about the soon-to-open Cerrillos Senior Center; potentially someone from PNM to discuss the power pole replacement (though that person's attendance

will depend upon other activities covered in Item 10 b); someone who can speak to County water resources; Alexandra Ladd or someone else from County Growth Management to speak about County initiatives and the SGMP Revision process (also discussed under Item 11b).

- a. Nominating Committee – Dennis made a motion to accept the Nominating Committee’s slate of officers to be considered during the 2026 Annual Meeting. Janet seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously. The slate of officers are as follows:

President - Doug Speer

Vice-President - laird Graeser

Secretary - Maggie Macaulay

Treasurer - Gail Buono

9. SMA Role in the Community – No discussion.

10. Old Business

- a. Solar Projects – No discussion.
- b. PNM Power Pole Replacement Project
  - i. Dennis read the following email from PNM which arrived during the meeting:

Hi Dennis and Courtney,  
I hope this message finds you both well! We just wanted to give you both a quick heads-up that work along NM-14 will be starting back up **tomorrow, 1/16/26** with Titan staging new poles in the NMDOT right-of-way.

PNM has been working with NMDOT over the past few months to finalize vegetation management scope for the NM-14 right-of-way. Now that the scope of work is in place, crews will soon be scheduled to begin tree trimming and cutting.

We have put together a public information release outlining the scope and location of the vegetation work to share with the public and San Marcos Advisory Association participants. I expect to have that copy to you by Tuesday, January 20, at the latest. In the meantime, we wanted to keep you in the loop about Titan’s return to work along NM-14 and NMDOT’s go-ahead for vegetation management in the right-of-way.

In addition, postcards will be mailed next week to all landowners located within 150 feet on either side of the line to re-notify them of the upcoming vegetation work and provide time to respond to PNM with questions or concerns.

Sergio Mata-Cisneros, PNM's Local Government and Community Relations representative for Northern New Mexico, will also be sharing this information with elected officials.

If the Association would like to meet with the project team to discuss the vegetation work or the project progress/schedule, we would be happy to attend the next monthly Association meeting in February or set up a separate meeting at the Board's convenience.

Cordially,  
Susie Sollien – Burns & McDonnell Contractor to PNM

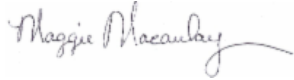
- ii. Hosting a community meeting over Zoom with PNM representatives was discussed with the week of January 26 as a possibility. Having this meeting separate from the Annual Meeting was deemed most useful to the community.
- c. Cerrillos Senior Center/Fire Station – No discussion.
- d. LAC Application for DP-55 Discharge Permit – Dennis gave a quick report noting that the State is questioning several elements about the mining company's proposed plan. Dennis forwarded an email with those objections to the Board.
- e. Mt. Chalchihuitl – No Discussion.
- f. SMA Video Summaries of CUP and other procedures – No discussion.
- g. There is no “g” on the agenda.
- h. Water Usage – No discussion.
- i. Involvement of the Madrid Community - No discussion.
- j. Verizon Cell Tower – No discussion.
- k. Dark Skies – No discussion.
- l. SMA Archival Materials and Equipment from Walter Wait – Dennis has been working through some of Walt's document boxes and noted that they saved many documents from other non-profits, the County, etc. that we do not need to keep. Going through all these materials may not be as daunting as he had suspected. He will keep everyone informed as to his progress. Doug offered to assist.

#### 11. New Business

- a. Public participation plan for the Sustainable Growth Manage Plan Revision – No discussion.

- b. SF Co Public Works and Growth Management Department Monthly Reports - Doug and Dennis attended a meeting on Monday, Jan. 12, the handout from which has been distributed to the Board. This effort to revise the SGMP will take a long time. Doug noted that, in the handout, Community Organizations ("COs") are formally given a 'seat at the table' but Registered Organizations like SMA are not mentioned. After discussion, the group agreed that SMA should send a letter to County staff formally requesting to be part of this effort. Dennis will draft something in the next couple of weeks and distribute it for Board review.

12. The meeting was adjourned by Dennis at 6:47 p.m.



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Maggie Macaulay, Secretary